The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A spring seat being configured to support a spring to absorb and to dampen torsional vibrations comprising:

a seat body being configured to support an end portion of the spring in a compression direction of the spring; and

a sliding portion being comprised of a material differing from a material comprising said seat body, said sliding portion being configured to slide on other members, and said sliding portion being mounted to extend over an outer side of ~~said~~ the spring, and to extend ~~extending~~ in said compression direction.

2. (Previously Presented) The spring seat according to claim 1, further comprising,

cover portions that extend from said seat body and cover outer sides of the spring,

wherein said sliding portion is mounted on an outer side of one of said cover portions.

3. (Previously Presented) The spring seat according to claim 1, wherein said seat body is made of a metal.

4. (Previously Presented) The spring seat according to claim 3, wherein said sliding portion is made of a synthetic resin.

5. (Previously Presented) A spring assembly, comprising:

a spring; and

a spring seat according to claim 1 and being mounted on the end portion of the spring.

6. (Previously Presented) The spring seat according to claim 2, wherein said cover portions include a first cover portion that covers one coil turn of the spring, and a second cover portion that is longer than said first cover portion.

7. (Previously Presented) The spring assembly according to claim 5, further comprising,

a float body disposed in the spring.

8. (Previously Presented) A spring assembly comprising:

a spring;

a spring seat having,

a seat body being configured to support an end portion of said spring in a compression direction of said spring, and

a sliding portion being made of a material differing from a material comprising said seat body, said sliding portion being configured to slide on other members; and

a float body being disposed inside said spring.

9. (Previously Presented) The spring assembly according to claim 8, wherein

said spring seats include cover portions that extend from said seat body and cover outer sides of the spring, said sliding portion is mounted on an outer side of one of said cover portions.

10. (Previously Presented) The spring assembly according to claim 8, wherein

said seat body is made of a metal.

11. (Previously Presented) The spring assembly according to claim 10, wherein

said sliding portion is made of a synthetic resin.

12. (Previously Presented) The spring assembly according to claim 8, wherein

said sliding portion is made of a synthetic resin.

13. (Previously Presented) The spring assembly according to claim 8, wherein

said float body includes a coil spring and a pair of spring seats.

14. (Previously Presented) A clutch disk assembly comprising:

a pair of input side plates;

a hub flange being axially disposed between said pair of input side plates; and

a spring assembly being configured to link said pair of input side plates and hub flange together in a rotational direction, said spring assembly having,

a spring,

a spring seat having,

a seat body being configured to support an end portion of said spring in a compression direction of said spring, and

a sliding portion being made of a material differing from a material comprising said seat body, said sliding portion being configured to slide on other members.

15. (Previously Presented) The clutch disk assembly according to claim 14, wherein

said spring seats include cover portions that extend from said seat body and cover outer sides of the spring, said sliding portion is mounted on an outer side of one of said cover portions.

16. (Previously Presented) The clutch disk assembly according to claim 14, wherein

said seat body is made of a metal.

17. (Previously Presented) The clutch disk assembly according to claim 16, wherein

said sliding portion is made of a synthetic resin.

18. (Previously Presented) The clutch disk assembly according to claim 14, wherein

said sliding portion is made of a synthetic resin.

19. (Previously Presented) The clutch disk assembly according to claim 18, further comprising,

a float body disposed inside said spring.

20. (Previously Presented) The clutch disk assembly according to claim 19, wherein

said float body includes a coil spring and a pair of spring seats.